

WEST SUBURBAN HOME SCHOOL BAND 2017/2018 CALENDAR

Dates and times are subject to change. Last revised 08/23/2018

2017/2018 Auditions and Beyond

August 2018

1 – Wednesday – **All Concert Junior, Concert Senior and Symphonic Audition videos are due, 9am – 5pm note earlier end time**

IMPORTANT: Auditions received after **5pm** on August 1 will be considered late and you will be placed at the end of the roster for your instrument. This applies to all media formats. We are aware YouTube uploading can take as much as 48 hours or more. There may be power outages, computer failures, equipment issues or other unforeseen problems. To avoid missing the deadline, do not wait until the last days before auditions are due to finalize your recordings. You may drop off or submit your audition earlier than August 1 if this date is a problem.

See Auditions on our website for complete details.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE – Fully completed Winter registrations, etc. as described under July 31, may be delivered **IN PERSON** on August 1 with auditions. Late fees are applicable after this date.

No auditions will be accepted without a fully completed 2018-2019 WINTER Registration which includes Booster hours sign-up (BOTH online AND on the form) and a completed and signed Commitment Page along with a rental form and fee(s) if applicable.

(Registration and Rental forms are on our [FORMS/DOCUMENTS](#) webpage.)

21, 22, 23 - Music Distribution at the Borows, sign-up required, 2-hour slots

28 – Tuesday

- **Instrument fittings/tryouts at director's home** - Prior appointment must be made with director, Mrs. Borow. Remaining instrument fitting/tryout date, by appointment only, is also at the director's home on 9/10.

September 2018

2018-2019 - Concert, Trimester 1 (winter)

4, 5, 7 - Music Distribution at the Borows, sign-up required, 2-hour slots

10 – Monday

- **Instrument fittings/tryouts at director's home** - Prior appointment must be made with director, Mrs. Borow. This is the last fitting/tryout date.

20 – **OVERVIEW AND ORIENTATION MEETING**

Location – Resurrection Church, Wayne, NW corner of Route 59 & Army Trail Road

6:30pm – Return of Band Property

- Return laundered marching hat or pay \$20 fine for unreturned/missing hat
- Return summer marching music

- Return ALL audition music and packets.
- Return any wind instruments loaned out for summer marching, etc.
- Return all sousaphones not being used for the Winter Concert Semester
- Return black band pants and Symphonic Blue jackets if outgrown or no longer needed.
Return jackets with \$5 cash and we will have the jacket dry-cleaned. We have eliminated the need for jackets to be returned dry cleaned with tag/receipt attached.
Return pants laundered.
- Percussionists – return **ALL** marching percussion equipment.

@6:45pm – Music pick-up for all members, new and returning

- Pick-up 1st trimester music (additional songs may be distributed at band)
- Pick-up Audition recordings/DVD's

@7:00pm – OVERVIEW portion of the meeting begins. **All returning parents are expected to attend** as this is the only meeting with the director for the entire year. Returning parents may leave after the Overview portion or remain for the Orientation Meeting.

@8:00 – 9pm - ORIENTATION MEETING and Q&A *Note: Meeting may start earlier if music pick-up is completed and the Overview portion concluded.*

All new members are required to come along with your parent(s) to this meeting. Returning parents may leave after the Overview portion or remain for the Orientation Meeting.

27 – FIRST BAND PRACTICE – Resurrection Church, Wayne (NW corner of Route 59 & Army Trail Road)

We NEED regular assistance of Cadets and their parents at weekly practices! There is a large amount of unloading and set-up required to prepare for the evening's band rehearsals. The more parents and students helping, the faster set-up will go. Any Cadets arriving at or just before 5:15 are already late!!!

At 4:30 all Cadet PERCUSSIONISTS and their parents must

1. Help unload the trailer
2. Carry in the unloaded percussion equipment
3. Assist the coordinator in setting-up all the percussion equipment in the percussion section.

At 4:30 all Cadet WIND players and their parents must assist the parent helper in charge with setting-up chairs in Cornelius hall. When that task is finished then help carry in any music files and remaining percussion equipment.

ALL ARE EXPECTED TO HELP

5:15-6:00 – Cadet Band

6:00-7:00 – Concert Junior Band

7:00-8:00 – Concert Senior Band

8:00-9:00 – Symphonic Band (note: on occasion, director may request to rehearse beyond 9 pm)

9:00-9:30 – Reset hall - See Handbook for specific help needed.

Note: All members must arrive @15 minutes before their band begins practice to allow for instrument set-up, etc. During the concert season, those assigned to a MANDATORY sectional (not Cadets) need to arrive 30 minutes early to be ready for their sectional at quarter to the hour. NOTE: Sometimes sectionals take place at other times so it is important to always check the notes.